



*"[air navigation control, [...]] is a task involving the exercise of public authority and is not of an economic nature, since that activity constitutes a service in the public interest which is intended to protect both the users of air transport and the populations affected by aircraft flying over them".
(Extract of decision C.364/92 of the European Court of Justice).*

Spring Meeting Final Communiqué

ATCEUC held its 31st meeting in Bucharest, 30 – 31 March 2007.

The participants reached the following final conclusions:

SESAR

ATCEUC remains extremely preoccupied with SESAR. SESAR must provide a more efficient but also more equitable system. It is a given fact that the final responsibility will always lie on the controller's shoulders. The controller shall therefore manage the systems rather than be enslaved to it.

ATCEUC confirms its intention to coordinate its participation to the SESAR Joint Undertaking with fellow staff representative organisations.

Social Dialogue

ATCEUC is concerned with the general organisation of social dialogue, as the gap between real representativity and institutional arrangements widens. ATCEUC remains committed to working in close collaboration with its partners, on the basis of fair and sound arrangements.

SEEFABA

The European commission has set the goals for SEEFABA. It cannot simply anticipate commitment from staff. It must work to secure it. The controllers are ready to participate; States and the European commission must demonstrate that they are willing to involve them on the basis of verified figures.

ATCEUC members request that ATCEUC is recognised as an official social partner and accepted in the SEEFABA social forum, and that professional associations and trade unions are granted observer status in the SEEFABA Management Committee.

FAB Central

There is simply no social dialogue in the FAB Central. The Member states have instructed the providers to launch the project. This will not be carried out without controllers, and staff in general. ATCEUC therefore urges the providers and the management program to involve staff, both at national and international level.

MOSAIC

Some members of ATCEUC are involved in the MOSAIC project. This project aims at promoting cooperation between providers against commercial competition. In that light, ATCEUC renews its support to MOSAIC.

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